

a minority, struggling for life against the exactions of popery, and the ambition of military chiefs. Would colored men be prepared to adopt the religion of the country? That with them ~~would be the~~ only guaranty of protection, such "protection as vultures give to lambs." "Let us seize upon Africa, or some other, unappropriated territory while we may," say others, "and establish our own governments." But Africa has already been seized upon; the English, French, Portuguese, Spanish and Turks, have long since shared her out among themselves, and little Liberia may yet revert to some heir-at-law, who has purposely been unmindful of her. There is yet Mexico, to be spoken of hereafter, and a southern continent, but that belongs to the United States, it may be by right of discovery; so there seems to be no safe alternative left but to be satisfied with that government now existing that is most reliable and most powerful. That government is Great Britain; her dependencies form a *secure* home for the American slave, and the disgraced *free* man. The last of her possessions to which I shall call attention in this place, is Vancouver's Island.

MEXICO.

The vicinity of Mexico to the United States, and the known hostility of Mexicans to the institution of slavery, weigh strongly with some persons in favor of emigration to that country; but on careful consideration, it will be seen that that country does not present the features, in the main, that the States of South America do. The hankering of the old Castilians after lost power, is much greater in Mexico than farther south; and to regain that there would not be scruples about a coalition with American Slaveholders, even. The spirit of democracy has never so thoroughly pervaded that country, as those under the shadow of Simon Bolivar. Mexico was called New Spain. In her was remodelled the prominent features of Spanish policy in Europe. There was the grand centre point of Spanish policy, religious intolerance, and regal domination, for the New World. In the States of South America, a change of policy was a growing out of the relations of the Church of Rome to the world generally. In Mexico, it was an earnest demand of the ma-